HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 726

By Evans

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Nashville Amateur Radio Club on the celebration of its eightieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to recognize those organizations of good standing which are celebrating momentous occasions; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville Amateur Radio Club (NARC) is one such august organization which, in March of this year, will celebrate the eightieth anniversary of its founding; and

WHEREAS, first organized in March of 1934, the NARC was founded in an effort to promote fellowship among ham radio operators in the area. A community grew, a community within which those with a passion for amateur radio could gather to share stories, knowledge, and technical expertise with one another; and

WHEREAS, in 1937, the Nashville Amateur Radio Club became affiliated with the American Radio Relay Club, a national organization which promotes fellowship and goodwill among amateur radio enthusiasts throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, eighty years since its founding, the NARC thrives; it is an active club which continues to provide service to the community, especially to give disaster relief, by working with local emergency management associations during times of need and by providing communication support to local non-profit organizations to aid in their fundraising efforts. As the club's slogan states: "When all else fails, amateur radio gets through"; and

WHEREAS, for the past eight decades, the members of the NARC have held true to the organization's three goals: to provide the citizens of Davidson County and local public officials with highly skilled, dedicated radio operators and equipment when needed, to provide

community organizations with radio communications for their various events, and to promote the growth of amateur radio and the camaraderie of those who share a passion for it; and

WHEREAS, the NARC currently benefits from the astute leadership abilities and the unwavering dedication to excellence exhibited by its officers, president Ed Nutter, vice president Jim Goodrich, secretary and editor Matthew Jackson, treasurer Larry Franklin, and chaplain Willie Porter, and the members of its board of directors, Martha Frederick, Cathy Goodrich, Jerry Hedgcoth, and Carl Severance; and

WHEREAS, it is wholly fitting that this body recognizes the NARC at this time; now, therefore.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and congratulate the Nashville Amateur Radio Club on its celebration of the eightieth anniversary of its founding, extending our best wishes for the club's success in every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.